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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action dated August 21, 2001, in which the Examiner imposed a restriction requirement to election of invention for the above-referenced application, Applicants elect to prosecute the invention as in Group II, Claims 8-15 drawn to a semiconductor structure, classified in class 257, subclass 1+, without traverse.

Applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications on the non-elected claims.

Respectfully submitted

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